

DEMOCRATS MAY MOVE CONVENTION TO OAKLAND

CHICAGO, April 8.—Fred Lynch, national committee chairman from Minnesota, said here today that dissatisfaction of democratic party leaders with the convention accommodations at San Francisco will be aired at the national committee meeting here April 20 when a proposal to move the convention across the bay to Oakland will be presented.

Mr. Campbell Urges Resolution Ending State of War With Germany.

The galleries were crowded at the beginning of the debate, which will close late tomorrow, to be followed by a vote on passage of the resolution.

THEATRE DEFATE Advocates Plan Substitute for All 19 Years or More to Train Four Months.

Defeat of the compulsory universal military training provision of the Army reorganization bill was conceded today by proponents of the plan. To state of a vote on the issue they agreed to substitute a program of voluntary training of four months for all youths nineteen or more years old.

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It was said that opponents might not fight the voluntary plan, which would be offered as a substitute for the pending motion of Senator McClellan, democrat, Tennessee, to eliminate the bill's training provision.

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There was a sharp debate yesterday on the training scheme, which was amended to provide that the sum total of action was the decision to postpone from 1921 to 1922—the date on which the plan would be put into force. This was done with less than a dozen senators in the chamber.

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Senator Wadsworth, republican, of New York, in charge of the bill, declared the Regular Army would never be big enough to defend this country.

NO STATE TAX SINCE NO STATE BENEFITS

Only Tiny Tax Increase Needed, Even if Full State Tax Unfairly Imposed.

THEODORE W. NOYES.

IV. If full state and county taxes are unfairly included in the calculation of the average per capita taxation of Washington, but only by a small fraction, and the increase of Washington's tax burden by two-thirds or by one-third, is grossly excessive if the purpose is merely to overcome the small fraction of apparent under taxation, which appears if Washington is unfairly taxed for what it does not get.

5. If full state and county taxes are included in the calculation Washington's tax burden, in order to be brought to the level of other cities, would need to be increased only 10 to 15 per cent, instead of 66-2-3 per cent or 33-1-3 per cent, as suggested.

6. No state taxes should enter into interest comparisons with Washington. The capital does not enjoy the most important benefits to which the state taxation entitles the citizen of a state.

7. If full state and county taxation should not in any event enter into these interest comparisons with Washington, see Beales' equitable deductions from the calculation of 1915 and of December, 1919. Also column six of table comparing twelve typical cities. Hearings, House District committee, pages 145, 146.

8. If either all state taxes or equitable proportions of state and county taxes are included in the calculation, the tax burden is unfairly increased for these other cities without any increase whatever.

State Taxes and City Tax Comparison. The slight excess of tax burden of other cities when full state, county and city taxes enter into the calculation, disappears if the taxes are omitted from the calculation (as they should be) or if the Beales equitable deductions are made. In comparing Washington with other cities, Beales is right.

In concluding his testimony today before the Senate committee investigating the Washington school system, George E. Hamilton, former president of the board of education, suggested the appointment of a board of three members, drawing salaries for their work, and giving all their time to school interests, as a substitute for the present administrative system in the schools. He also suggested the appointment of a "commissioner of education" who would be assisted by an advisory citizen committee.

In urging "relief" for the superintendent of schools, Mr. Hamilton characterized Mr. Thurston as being "as much overworked as any man I have known."

SUGGESTS SCHOOL BOARD FREE ON ALL-TIME BASIS

George E. Hamilton Believes Supt. Thurston Greatly Overworked.

THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. The question of the validity of the intangible tax law of the District of Columbia was certified today by the District Court of Appeals to the United States Supreme Court for determination of two points.

The District Court in the District of Columbia and John C. Heald, George E. Hamilton and Wilton J. Lamb, committee of the estate of Eugene Peters, noted an appeal to the District Court of Appeals, and their counsel argued the matter last January in the appellate court.

One of the questions on which the Court of Appeals asks the United States Supreme Court to decide is whether the act authorizes the Commissioners to assess all of the intangible property of non-residents of the District in the District, irrespective of where such property was located. If so, does this render the act unconstitutional?

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The committee of the Peters estate had been asked to state whether the intangible property of the estate, and sued to recover the amount from the District, payment having been made under protest.

DISTRICT APPROPRIATION BILL HEARING NEAR END. The District Commissioners today completed their testimony before the Senate appropriations committee in the hearing on the District appropriation bill. Tomorrow the committee will hear representatives of the District of Columbia, and will have the bill ready to report some time next week.

Clemenceau Starts for Home. LONDON, April 7.—Owing to failing health, the French premier, who has been in the United States since his projected trip to Athens, according to a Cairo dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company, will embark at Alexandria on April 17 for Marseille.

side of Baltimore, to be spent, not in Baltimore but in all Maryland. Washington has not the benefit of other contributions to a state tax in the form of a state income tax. It has no state relations or privileges or benefits.

No Comparable Benefits. 2. Mr. Beales says, in figuring out the equitable proportions of county and state taxes to be considered in the comparison of Washington with other cities, he has taken into account the fact that Washington is a city of the District of Columbia, and that the District of Columbia is a city of the United States.

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PARIS' FOUNTAINS SAVING CITY WATER

Conservation Likely to Be Rule Again for Summer Season in District.

Fountains in the public parks of the District probably will remain dry again this summer, as a means of saving the city's water supply.

During the warm months of the past, the city's water supply has run close to the safe daily capacity of the conduit, which is estimated at 63,000,000 gallons. It is not anticipated that there will be much of a reduction in the use of water by the residents this year.

Meters in Departments. Practically all of the government departments now have water meters installed. This makes it possible to ascertain how much water each department uses.

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